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CLASSIFICATION ~~SECRET/CONTROL/US OFFICIALS ONLY~~COUNTRY Soviet zone of Germany REPORT [REDACTED]TOPIC Soviet Troops in SchwerinEVALUATION [REDACTED] PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED]DATE OF CONTENT [REDACTED]DATE OBTAINED [REDACTED] DATE PREPARED 25 September 1950REFERENCES [REDACTED]PAGES 2 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE) [REDACTED]REMARKS [REDACTED]

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1. From 22 to 25 August 1950 the Hindenburg Kaserno, Schwerin (N 54/T 46), was occupied to capacity by troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets. No training activity or motor traffic was observed.
2. The quarters on Braitscheidstrasse housed about 400 LWD personnel and about 200 Soviet dependents. The soldiers were observed undergoing infantry drill.
3. The Von Fritsch Kaserno was estimated to be about one-third occupied by 500 to 600 troops who wore red-bordered black epaulets, some with motor transport insignia, and some with black epaulets with signal insignia.
4. The Moltke Kaserno and the Smogor Kaserno were occupied to capacity by troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets, about one-third of whom were tank insignia and one-third artillery insignia. Trucks [REDACTED] were seen in the billeting area, each towing an artillery piece. 50X1-HUM
5. The Adolf Hitler Kaserno, including its attic, was occupied to capacity. Gate guards wore black-bordered red epaulets. Troops had infantry training in the wooded area near the installation. Truck [REDACTED] was seen towing an AA gun. 50X1-HUM
6. Guards at the airfield in Goerries wore red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia. Local residents said that about 1,000 to 1,200 troops were there. Tanks were apparently stored in two garages which were guarded by soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets. The area was marked by tank tracks.
7. Between 23 and 26 August 1950 the Hindenburg Kaserno was occupied to capacity by 1,000 to 1,200 troops belonging to an artillery and a small signal unit. Motor vehicles [REDACTED] were seen in the billeting area. 50X1-HUM

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3. The Von Fritsch Kaserne was thought to be occupied to capacity. A guard wearing red-bordered black epaulets stood at gate 1 and a signal soldier at gate 2. Motor [redacted]
[redacted]

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9. The Holtke Kaserne was occupied to capacity by about 1,200 tank troops. [redacted]
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10. The Krueger Kaserne was occupied to capacity by about 1,200 men. Recruits hold basic infantry drill. The installation housed AT and artillery units. Motor vehicles [redacted]
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[redacted] were identified in the balloting area.

11. Gate guards at the Adolf Hitler Kaserne wore black-bordered red epaulets. The installation housed about 2,500 troops. Recruits were observed engaged in basic drill. [redacted]
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12. The sentry in front of the (Dachstein) building wore red-bordered black epaulets. The building housed a motor vehicle repair shop unit, the personnel of which wore blue coveralls. Motor vehicles towed by wreckers were being repaired.

13. No Soviet troops were observed in the Castle of Schwerin. *

* [redacted] Comment. The report shows that the elements of the 24th Gds Itz Rifle Div and headquarters units of the IX Gds Rifle Corps which, [redacted] are stationed in Schwerin were still at the post at the end of August 1950. [redacted]

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